

All government—indeed, every human benefit and enjoyment, every virtue and every prudent act—is founded on compromise and barter.—Edmund Burke.

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Possess a reputation for absolute integrity and be a gentleman.—Charles M. Schwab.

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Dorothy Dix Talks

CHRISTMAS GIFTS
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THE season is upon us when the dread spectre of the Christmas Present stalks through our midst and when wild eyed women sit down with pencil and paper and try to do out some system by which they can make one dollar go as far as two, and what they shall give to whom as a token of love and remembrance.

Getting ready for Christmas has always been a time of toil and travail of blistered and crazed nerves, but this year it will be more strenuous and harrowing than ever before, for with plain bread and meat the price of erstwhile nectar and ambrosia the average family will have dimes instead of dollars with which to go shopping.

And this suggestion that this is the psychological moment at which to put into execution a much needed reform in Christmas giving. Not to stop making Christmas presents. Heaven forbid that beautiful custom should ever die, but only to make presents to those who need them, and when we do give to give useful things instead of unloading a lot of junk on the forlorn recipient.

Who does not blush to remember the things he or she has bestowed upon helpless friends and relatives at Christmas time? Ornate and expensive pipes and cigarette holders that nobody could possibly use on men who already have dozens of them; fragile bric-a-brac that breaks at the first handling; silly gift books that no intelligent human being could read; dinky fancy boxes that are nothing but dust catchers; imitation Japanese art that is an eyesore; all sorts of near silver trinketry that is of no earthly use except to clutter up a house.

We give these things not to express our animosity towards our friends, but our affection. And we give them because in the course of annual present making to the same group of people for empty tummy successive joyous Christmases we have bestowed upon them every conceivable sort of foolishness that they don't want and can't possibly use, and are driven to desperation to find something different each year.

As for ourselves, we are filled with gratitude for the kindly thought of us that prompted our friends to send us a remembrance at the blessed Christmas time, but there is not one of us who, when we survey the mass of trash that represents our Christmas presents, but could burst into tears at the spectacle of so much good money wasted. With half, or even a third, that the idiotic trumpery cost we could have bought ourselves something that we really yearned for, and we wish with all our hearts that it was considered proper to tie up a dollar bill, or even a quarter, with a sprig of holly and a red ribbon and send it as a Christmas present instead of the foolishness that has been spent upon.

In times of peace and prosperity this exchanging of embroidered and hand painted rubbish at Christmas is a matter of individual give and take, and makes no particular difference, but in hard times and war times it becomes a crime, and this year no dollar should be wasted on meaningless gifts to people who need nothing.

Among well to do people there should be no giving of Christmas presents to each other.

"Please give to the Red Cross the money that you intend putting into a Christmas gift for me, or send it to one of the base hospitals to relieve the sick and wounded soldiers in France, or to some poor mother in France to help her keep her children with her, or buy with it one of the Christmas kits that are being sent to our own soldiers in far away camps."

That is the message that each one of us should send to our friends. That is the way in which we should spend

our own Christmas money. Why, we could add millions upon millions of dollars to the war relief fund if we would just cut out the superfluous fluff ruffle Christmas gift stuff.

And if all of the women who are working themselves into nervous prostration making home made Christmas gifts, trying to turn tomato cans into upholstered shaving sets, and torturing good cloth into what you may call whims whose purpose the mind of mortal man is not ingenious enough to fathom, would devote their time and energy to knitting for the soldiers, they could outfit the whole American Army with sweaters and wristlets!

Give no Christmas presents to the rich this year, but give to those who need it. Give first to your country and those who are risking their lives to defend it. Give especially to the wives and children of the men at the front. Many of these are called on to make an almost superhuman sacrifice to patriotism, because with the bread winner away the wolf is howling very close to many an humble door this winter.

The Christmas in these homes is bound to be a sad one, with the shadow of the dread dangers of war hanging over it, and the least that those of us who are safe at home can do is to bring to them all the Christmas cheer that is possible, and to see that Santa Claus does not fail to fill the stockings of every soldier's child.

They are our special charge and, every well off family should be sponsor for the happy Christmas of some individual soldier's family.

And again I reiterate, when you go Christmas shopping this year spend no money on useless things. Buy sensible practical articles—clothes, hats, shoes and furniture—things that will fill some long felt need and that will

make life more comfortable to the recipient.

There used to be a tradition that it was not good form to make practical presents and that there was something poetic and romantic in making a gift that showed it cost lots of money, and was absolutely useless. I have seen a poor girl, who didn't have a second dress to her back, receive at Christmas time hundreds of dollars worth of hothouse flowers that withered in a day.

The high cost of living has routed the silly theory that the sensible Christmas present is looked upon as an insult. On the contrary, it is the only one for which we ever get any thanks that ring with sincerity. Therefore, have no hesitation in sending Sally the coat that she needs, or John a new hat, or surprising Cousin Sally with an easy chair, or distributing gloves and handkerchiefs and silk stockings indiscriminately among the women of your acquaintance. They would a million times rather have them than the usual Christmas flummery you've been in the habit of buying them.

And there is one cardinal rule in Christmas giving that never fails: When in doubt send money. That gives the happy recipients a chance to gratify their own taste, and saves you from the trouble of having to pick out the gifts and the donors from having to lie about pretending to like a gift that they loathe. Finally, beloved, remember it is more blessed to give than to receive. Especially at a war Christmas.

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BEAUTY CHATS

For Small Noses

ONCE MORE THE STYLE of hair-dressing has changed, this time to favor the girl with the small, snub, retroussé or plain pug nose. The hair



Dress the hair high if your nose is small, and pull it down over the ears if your cheeks are thin.

is dressed high on the back of the head, pulled softly over the forehead, and drawn back rather snugly from the cheeks. If the nose is quite small, or if the cheeks are thin, it is more becoming to pull the hair over the cheeks, hiding the ears.

Fashion, of course, is making much of the hat tilted high in back and bound tightly over the forehead. This needs a high style of hair-dressing to hold the hat in place. The other popular style at the moment is the curved-down brim, shorter in back than front, and the large soft crown. This type, too, needs hair dressed high on the head to hold the hat in place.

On the whole, the new hair-dressing is much more becoming than the old. That coiled the hair at the nape of the neck, sometimes with the whole knot resting against the neck. It was supposed to show the curve of the head, but as a matter of fact, it gave a certain flat look to the back part of the head that was rather unbecoming. Besides, the knot slid against the neck with every motion of the head, and it soiled collars and caught on fasteners.

Hair waved is apt to soften an otherwise harsh face. This does not mean curled with a small iron, or crimped up on hair-pins. Strands of hair wet and rolled on kids or on strips of muslin look softest when unraveled and combed out.

Questions and Answers

Will you tell me what gallega water is, and whether it is harmful? Also the name of a good face cream.—G. B.

Reply—Gallega water is goat's milk; it is harmless, and in mixture with other ingredients, enlarges the bust, as it acts directly upon the glands, supplying food to this part of the body. I am sorry but I cannot give the names of creams or such things in this column.

Would you suggest beauty treatments for my mother who is sixty-six and a semi-invalid?—Interested.

Reply—By all means—face massage with cream keep the skin soft and a clear color, hair treatments to make her hair fluffy and attractive, frequent manicures and pedicures do to make her prettier and to interest her. Few women even at sixty-six lose interest in their appearance, and she would be delighted with such little attentions.

LESSONS OF GREAT WAR MAY NOW BE TAUGHT CHILDREN IN SCHOOL

How the lessons of the great war may be taught in the school room is told in Teachers' Leaflet No. 1, on "Opportunities for History Teachers," just issued by the United States Bureau of Education of the Department of the Interior, for distribution to teachers of history throughout the United States.

That the American teacher of history is this year planning his work under conditions at once perplexing and inspiring, is the Bureau's statement in announcing the new work. In its appeal to teachers the Bureau says:

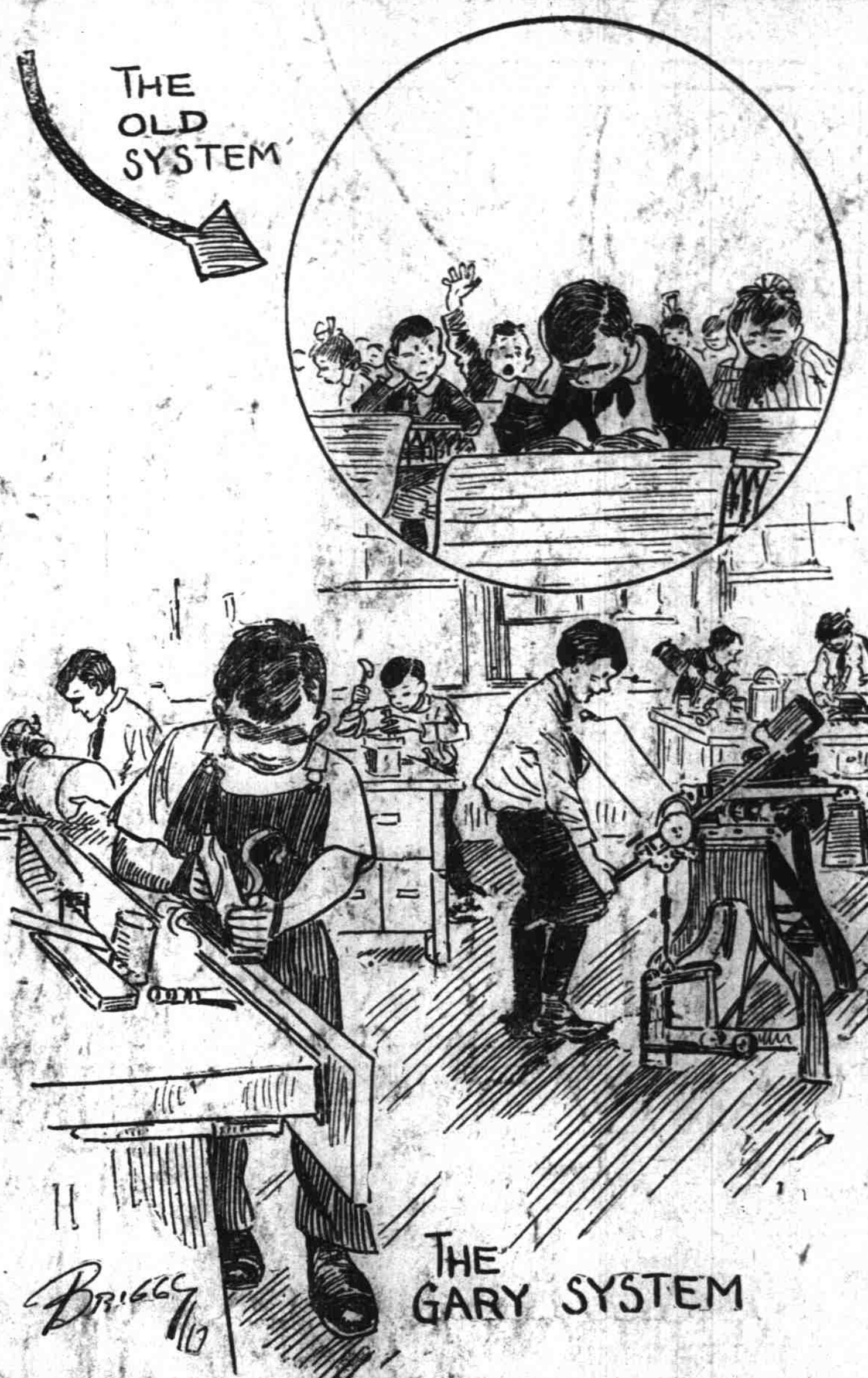
"The nation has finally been drawn into a great war, a war which demands for its successful prosecution not only efficient and courageous service in the army and navy, but also the loyal cooperation of millions of men and women who are not enrolled in the fighting forces nor directly responsible for the civil administration on which those forces depend.

"First of all comes the duty of keeping, for teacher and pupil, the habit of at least trying to see things as they really were and are. This is not easy at any time. It is peculiarly difficult at such a time as this, when too many people believe a slight distortion of facts may be a patriotic duty. In the long run loyalty to the country as well

as loyalty to history are best served by looking facts squarely in the face.

"The training of young people and of the parents through the pupils to take an intelligent part in the decision of public questions is important enough at any time, but it is peculiarly so in this war whose meaning for the individual citizen is not so easily brought home. In 1823 and 1827, when the Monroe Doctrine was under discussion, Daniel Webster referred to the people who thought the Americans had no interest in the European system of mutual insurance for hereditary rulers against popular movements. What, they said, have we to do with Europe? The thunder, it may be said, rolls at a distance. The wide Atlantic rolls between us and danger; and, however others may suffer, we shall remain safe. Webster's answer to this question was strikingly similar to some of the utterances of President Wilson: 'I think it is a sufficient answer to this to say, that we are one of the nations of the earth. We have as clear an interest in international law as individuals have in the laws of society.' That was said long before the steamship, the submarine, and the wireless had broken down still further our splendid isolation. Today we are fighting for our rights but over and above those special rights of our own we are fighting for international law

When a Feller Needs a Friend - By BRIGGS



MCKINLEY BOY WINS PROMOTION IN WAR SERVICE

David K. Bent, graduate of McKinley high school, has written to Principal M. M. Scott with news of other McKinley boys and his own promotion. He says:

"Dear Mr. Scott: 'Just a few lines to remind you that I am still alive and striving, with the rest, to put an end to this miserable and needless war. I have been in actual service for about six months in the navy, and have learned a lot about its life, and of the dangers that go with it.

"When I was mustered in, I never thought that I'd ever be brought so far or do what I am doing now. Here I am, away out in mid-ocean helping to preserve the safety of lives, human lives of innocent people, from the ruthlessness of the Germans and their allies.

"I have been promoted, and am now a quartermaster. Have learned to send and receive messages quite accurately, and also other things which a quartermaster should know. Both Victor Kahn and Robert Boyd are with the yeoman force and are doing well, while my brother, Henry, and Harry Tuck Chan are trying to make a rate as coxswains. We are all well and are bearing clear records. If you haven't forgotten, we are all members of the McKinley high school, and on account of this war, were forced to leave school and work to join the colors. We don't expect to be back for some time yet.

"I suppose you are overwhelmed with work this year, due to the large number of new members, or is it just the opposite? Please give my regards to the faculty, and wishing you the best of success, and hoping to receive a few words from you, I am,

"Yours sincerely,
"DAVID K. BENT."

itself, without which no nation can be safe, of all those democratic governments which are less effectively organized for war than for peace.

"No one can take an intelligent part in a great conflict for the safety of democracy under an orderly system of international law unless he is really interested in and knows something about other nations than his own—about the difference between a republican government like our own or that of France or the scarcely less democratic constitution of Great Britain on the one side, and in sharp contrast to all these, a strongly monarchical system like that of the German Empire, in which the most important measures affecting the national welfare may be practically determined by a single hereditary sovereign or a small group of such sovereigns."

PROMINENT MEN ATTEND FUNERAL OF CAPT. MATSON

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 14.—Funeral services for the late Capt. William Matson, head of the Matson Navigation Co. and consul-general of Sweden in this city, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church, Van Ness avenue and Sacramento street. Rev. William Kirk Guthrie conducted the services, which were simple and unostentatious, a fitting finale to the life of a simple man.

The casket was draped with the flags of America and of Sweden. Capt. Matson's native land. The altar and chancel were buried beneath a mass of flowers that came from a hundred friends and associates.

Scores of men prominent in the commercial and shipping world attended the services, and the consular corps were represented in full.

After a short sermon and eulogy by Rev. Guthrie, prayers were offered, and the choir sang the hymns that were the favorites of the dead shipping master. The body was taken to the family vault, where it will be laid away.

Following the services it was announced by William P. Roth, Capt. Matson's son-in-law, that the will would not be opened before Monday, if then. The will is held by A. F. Morrison, who drew it six years ago, and he declined last night to comment on its contents.

The pallbearers were: A. F. Morrison, William T. Sesson, Howard Holmes, Charles Green, John A. Buck, F. S. Samuels, A. C. Dierix, W. D. K. Gibson, E. F. Bishop, Wallace M. Alexander, Frederick J. Koster, Irwin Scott, John Scott, F. A. Bailey, Capt. Rock and Capt. Johnson. Capt. Saunders and Capt. Youngren attended the services.

In the family group were the widow, Mrs. Lillie Matson; Mr. and Mrs. William P. Roth, Walter J. Matson, Arthur Matson, Theodore Matson, Mrs. William Forrest and Mrs. Florence Bernard, the latter five being the children of Capt. Matson by his first wife.

Georgia Man Finds Hawaii Ideal Spot For Honeymooning

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)
SAVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 12.—Doctor J. T. Maxwell, prominent physician of Savannah, Georgia, who visited Honolulu three years ago, was so favorably impressed with the beauty of the city and surrounding points of interest that he plans a return in the near future. His visit at that time was very limited. But the spell of the "Paradise of the Pacific" is still upon him, and sooner or later he will succumb to the lure of Hawaii. Doctor Maxwell has traveled extensively in other spots appeals to his sense of beautiful as Hawaii does with its mild, tropical climate and picturesque groves of coconut palms. He is thoroughly convinced that the islands will make the most charming place in the world to spend a honeymoon.

potatoes can be grown in Denver. To irrigate these plots the local water company furnished water free of charge for one vacant lot for each family and without extra charge on premises having lawns.

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